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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Abdias Mondesir

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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1 - 16 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1 - 16 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 02 March 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☒ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 3/14
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. ____
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: ____

DETAILED ACTION

Priority

1. Acknowledgment is made of applicant's claim for foreign priority based on an application filed in Japan on April 23, 2003. It is noted, however, that applicant has not filed a certified copy of the 2003-117761 application as required by 35 U.S.C. 119(b).

Specification

2. The title of the invention is not descriptive. A new title is required that is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.

3. The abstract of the disclosure is objected to because it contains reference numbers referring to parts of the drawings. These reference numbers, e.g. packet control module **(121)**, are unnecessary and should be removed. Correction is required. See MPEP § 608.01(b).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

4. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

5. Claims 1 – 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

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6. In regards to claim 1, lines 23 – 26 of the claim recite “said received signal is again written in said received signal memory sequentially from said first address while writing of said received signal in said received signal memory is stopped” which appears to be indefinite because it is unclear how the signal can be written into memory while writing into the same memory has stopped.

7. Line 27 of claim 1 recites “a packet contained in said received signal” which appears to be indefinite because it is unclear if it is referring to the packet in line 9 of the claim or a new packet within the received signal.

8. In regards to claim 12, lines 13 – 14 of the claim recite “a packet signal” which appears to be indefinite because it is unclear if the packet signal is the same as the packet signal in line 9 of the claim or is it an entirely new packet within the signal.

9. Claims 1 – 16 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in this Office action.

10. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

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The following patents are cited to show the state of the art with respect to writing packet data into memory:

US Patent 6,965,566 to Kawasaki et al

US Patent 6,473,435 to Zhou et al

The following patents are cited to show the state of the art with respect to wireless terminal locating:

US Patent 5,293,645 to Sood, Perm L.

US Patent 6,108,553 to Silventoinen et al

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Abdias Mondesir whose telephone number is 571-272-0232. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday – Thursday from 7:30 AM to 5:00PM. The examiner can also be reached on alternate Fridays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ricky Ngo can be reached on 571-272-3139. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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